## In the United States Court of Federal Claims

## **OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS**

No. 17-789V Filed: March 1, 2018 UNPUBLISHED

JASON KAHN,

Petitioner,

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SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

Special Processing Unit (SPU); Ruling on Entitlement; Concession; Table Injury; Influenza (Flu) Vaccine; Shoulder Injury Related to Vaccine Administration (SIRVA)

John Caldwell, Maglio Christopher & Toale, PA, Sarasota, FL, for petitioner. Claudia Barnes Gangi, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC, for respondent.

## **RULING ON ENTITLEMENT<sup>1</sup>**

## **Dorsey**, Chief Special Master:

On June 13, 2017, petitioner filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, *et seq.*,<sup>2</sup> (the "Vaccine Act"). Petitioner alleges that he suffered a shoulder injury related to vaccine administration ("SIRVA") following a November 5, 2016 influenza ("flu") vaccination. Petition at 1-2. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

On February 27, 2018, respondent filed his Rule 4(c) report in which he concedes that petitioner is entitled to compensation in this case. Respondent's Rule 4(c) Report at 1. Specifically, respondent has concluded that petitioner has satisfied the criteria for a SIRVA set forth in the recently revised Vaccine Injury Table and the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Because this unpublished ruling contains a reasoned explanation for the action in this case, the undersigned intends to post it on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002. 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2012) (Federal Management and Promotion of Electronic Government Services). In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, the undersigned agrees that the identified material fits within this definition, the undersigned will redact such material from public access.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755. Hereinafter, for ease of citation, all "§" references to the Vaccine Act will be to the pertinent subparagraph of 42 U.S.C. § 300aa (2012).

Qualification sand Aids to Interpretation *Id.* at 4. Respondent further agrees that entitlement to compensation is appropriate under the terms of the Vaccine Act. *Id.* 

In view of respondent's position and the evidence of record, the undersigned finds that petitioner is entitled to compensation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Nora Beth Dorsey

Nora Beth Dorsey Chief Special Master